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October 14, 2016

UCAB's Quality of Life Committee Meeting
Monday, October 17 7:00pm
Kramer Upcounty Regional Services Center
12900 Middlebrook Road, Germantown

Topic: "Economic Development – Branding & Positioning Montgomery County & Upcounty"
Guest: Kelly Groff, President/CEO, Visit Montgomery County

All board and their committee meetings are open to the public!

Sign language interpreter services will be provided only upon request with notice as far in advance as possible, but no less than 72 hours prior to the event. If these or other services or aids are needed to participate in this activity, please call 240-777-8040 or email a request to catherine.matthews@montgomerycountymd.gov.



Register to Vote Online!

Deadline to Register to Vote for General Election is October 18th. Find out what you need to know to be ready for the election. [Press Release](#).

Plan for Community Service Week!

October 16-23 is the 30th anniversary of Community Service Week in Montgomery County. Projects for that week are being planned now. Ideas include working with your PTA to clean up the landscaping around your school or planning a collection drive with your co-workers to fight hunger in our community. Some funding for project materials is available, go to the [Volunteer Center website](#) to find out more and let us know your project ideas.

If you have questions or need help brainstorming project ideas [email us](#) or call 240-777-2600.

Public Hearing: Community Development Needs

Wednesday, October 19 7:30pm

**Council Office Building, 7th Floor Hearing Room
100 Maryland Avenue, Rockville, Maryland**

Montgomery County's Community Development Advisory Committee (CDAC) will conduct a Public Hearing on COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT NEEDS to send comments to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). The CDAC recommends how Montgomery County's competitively awarded federal Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds are used, so public input is important.

Call the Finance and Administration Division at (240) 777-3621 between 8:30 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, to register to testify or if you need additional information. Meeting rooms are accessible to persons with disabilities. Hearing impaired and interpreting services are available upon request. Please call (240) 777-3621 or TTY (240) 777-3679 at least 72 hours before the hearing to request such service.

More information about the CDAC and CDBG Public Service Grant program can be found at <http://montgomerycountymd.gov/DHCA/community/grants/index.html>

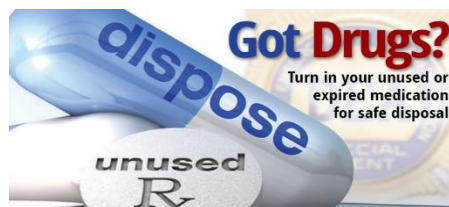


**Senior Forum and Resource Fair
Friday, October 21 1:00pm-4:00pm
The Village at Rockville - Lang Hall
9701 Veirs Drive, Rockville**



County Councilmember Roger Berliner (D-1) and Councilmember Sidney Katz (D-3) will co-host a Senior Forum that will include a Resource Fair from 1:00pm-2:00pm with more than 20 vendors from throughout the county. From 2:00pm-4:00pm, there will be an informational program, with confirmed speakers: State's Attorney John McCarthy; Eric Friedman, Director of the County's Office of Consumer Affairs; and Gretchen Zekiel, Manager of the RSVP Program in the Montgomery Volunteer Center. In addition, Rona Kramer, Secretary of the Maryland Department of Aging, will be attending.

For more information, see the flier [here](#).



**National Drug Take-Back Day
Saturday, October 22 10:00am-2:00pm**

Montgomery County law enforcement agencies and the County's Health and Human Services Substance Abuse Prevention Office are once again participating in the DEA National Drug Take-Back Day. This is a safe, free and anonymous opportunity to dispose of unused, unwanted or expired prescription drugs. This initiative is part of an effort to prevent the increasing problems of prescription drug abuse and theft that continues to occur nationwide.

For more information and the drop-off locations, check [press release](#).

Capacity crowd attends meeting on Montgomery County Agricultural Reserve

A video summary is now available of the event!

The meeting addressed details about the large area of protected land, discussed why it was created and why it is so important to all residents in the County.

A video summary of the event created by County Cable Montgomery reporter-producer Susan Kenedy and videographer-editor Mike Springirth. The video, which runs for 3 minutes, is available at <https://youtu.be/PmLFMJ3aBOA>.

Road Repair Projects . . .

Henderson Corner Patching Project – This full-depth patching project was previously expected to begin in the subdivision in October 2016, however it will start in Spring 2017. Areas will be excavated and replaced with hot mix asphalt in order to restore the pavement's integrity and capacity to support vehicle loads. The work is should be completed within five weeks, weather permitting. Work hours are from 7:00pm to 5:00pm, Monday through Friday. The work will require daily short-term parking restrictions. "No Parking" signs will be posted to notify residents of the planned dates for patching. Parking restrictions are only valid from 7:00am-5:00pm. Project Manager: James Schools-Bey, 240-777-7630.

Stedwick Road Concrete Repair and Replacement Project – Concrete curb, gutter and sidewalk repairs will be done. The project is expected to begin in October 2016 and take approximately 4-6 weeks to complete, weather permitting. All construction work will be scheduled between 7:00am and 6:00pm, Monday through Friday. Temporary lane closures and parking restrictions may be necessary. Signs will be posted in advance. Access to homes will be available at all times, however minor delays may occur as workers reposition machinery or materials. Project Manager: Adam Derrick, 240-777-7637

To get more details on these projects, go to www.montgomerycountymd.gov/DOT-Highway. On the county map, click on the Gaithersburg East service area.

Council Seeks Applicants for Grants Advisory Group

The Montgomery County Council is seeking applicants for positions on its Grants Advisory Group for fiscal year 2018 (July 1, 2017-June 30, 2018). The Council will appoint the volunteer community panel to review grant applications and advise it on proposals received from the non-profit community. The Council believes that a strong partnership with non-profit organizations is critical in meeting the County's needs. The Council has established a grants process in which the Council accepts applications from non-profit organizations seeking funds, forwards proposals to the Grants Advisory Group for advice and comments and then makes funding decisions during its spring budget deliberations.

It is anticipated that the Grants Advisory Group will be appointed in December and will be asked to report to the Council by the end of April 2017.

Letters of interest from applicants must be received no later than 4:00pm on Wednesday, November 9.



Circus Acrobatics for Athletes Demo & Workshop

Wednesday, October 26 7:00pm-8:30pm

Discovery Sports Center
18031 Central Park Circle, Boyds



Athletic Skill and Art Combine in this demonstration and acrobatic workshop featuring the Australian Acrobat Company, Gravity and Other Myths, in town to present their award-winning and wildly popular contemporary circus show, A Simple Space, at BlackRock Center for the Arts October 28-30. The demonstration and performance excerpt is free and workshop participation is \$5.00 per student. Workshop participants will also be eligible for up to two discounted tickets to BlackRock's Sunday, October 30 performance.

[Check out](#) a sample of a Simple Space's work. Call BlackRock to register for the workshop, 240-912-1058.

(children must be at least 5 years old to participate)

This engagement of A Simple Space is funded through the Mid Atlantic Tours program of Mid Atlantic Arts Foundation with support from the National Endowment for the Arts. The Maryland SoccerPlex, BlackRock Center for the Arts, and the Upcounty Regional Services Center are partnering to promote athletic skill in the arts.

October is National Arts and Humanities Month (NAHM), the month that our nation is encouraged to celebrate, promote and participate in the arts and humanities.

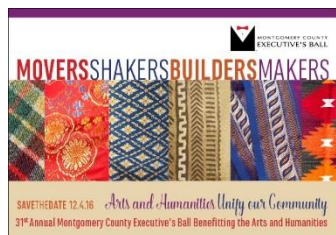


15th Annual County Executive's Awards for Excellence in the Arts & Humanities

Monday, October 24 7:00pm – 9:30pm
Montgomery College Cultural Arts Center
7995 Georgia Avenue
Silver Spring, MD 20910

The Arts and Humanities Council of Montgomery County (AHCMC) is pleased to announce the winners of the 2016 County Executive's Awards for Excellence in the Arts and Humanities. Among this year's nine recipients are Lifetime Impact Award recipient Fran Ichijo, Artistic Director of Hope Garden Children's Ballet Theatre and Lifetime Achievement award recipient, sculptor and professor, Lila Oliver Asher.

Reserve your free tickets for the 15th Annual County Executive's Awards for Excellence in the Arts and Humanities today! ([RSVP](#)) See the full list of 2016 award recipients [here](#).



31st Annual Montgomery County Executive Ball Benefitting the Arts & Humanities

Sunday, December 4 5:30pm
Bethesda North Marriott Hotel and Conference Center
5701 Marinelli Road, North Bethesda

A completely volunteer-run event, the Ball brings together several arts and humanities organizations to support, sustain, and promote the cultural assets of Montgomery County MD. This year's theme is **"Movers. Shakers. Builders. Makers: Arts and Humanities Unify Our Community"** and funds raised will go to support arts education programs in the County. For more information about the event and about tickets, visit <http://www.mocoexecball.org>

The 2016 Ball is chaired by Montgomery County First Lady, Catherine Leggett, who is joined by co-chair Dottie Fitzgerald of Fitzgerald Auto Malls.

How Do You See the World?

Unconscious Bias: Culture and Conflict **Montgomery College-Germantown Campus, BE 151** **20200 Observation Drive** **October 28 8:30am-4:30pm**

This interactive day-long colloquium focuses on cultural differences in conflict resolution. The morning session features Debby Irving, author of "Waking Up White and Finding Myself in the Story of Race," who will speak and lead exercises on "Leveling the Playing Field: Interrupting Patterns of Power and Privilege." The session will focus on conflict resolution and the challenges to move it from operating within a dominant cultural paradigm to a paradigm that focuses on needs of the parties in conflict. In the afternoon, Marvin Johnson, Esq., nationally recognized mediator, arbitrator, and trainer, will engage the audience in discussions and activities on "Adjusting Our Lenses to See the Baggage We Carry." This session will explore how the experiences we have had on our journeys have been ingrained into the fabric of who we are today. Attendees will engage in exercises and discussions. Prepare for discomfort, and through that discomfort, learning more about sensitive topics that so many find hard to address.

For more details and for course cost, visit

[http://insidemc.montgomerycollege.edu/details.php?id=76206&title=Author Debbie Irving, Mediator Marvin Johnson to Lecture on %22Unconscious Bias: Culture & Conflict%22 Oct. 28](http://insidemc.montgomerycollege.edu/details.php?id=76206&title=Author+Debbie+Irving,+Mediator+Marvin+Johnson+to+Lecture+on+%22Unconscious+Bias:Culture+&+Conflict%22+Oct.+28)

Montgomery County Public Libraries to Launch Food for Fines Program to Give Back to the Community

Montgomery County Public Libraries' Food for Fines program will be held October 16 through 30. Food for Fines offers customers the opportunity to earn \$1 for each donated food item toward payment of existing library fines. The donations will go to the Manna Food Center, a local non-profit that works to collect and distribute donated foods to those in need in the community. The program is offered during Montgomery County's Community Service Week.

A suggested list of food that will serve the greatest need is available at <http://www.mannafood.org/give-food/most-needed-foods-list/>. For more information about the Foods for Fines program go to <http://montgomerycountymd.gov/Library>

Coming Up at BlackRock Center for the Arts . . .



Chelsey Green & the Green Project

Chamber, Jazz, Soul | Saturday, Oct 15, 2016 | 8:00 PM | \$15-31

High-energy jazz, funk, and soul performance ensemble that fuses classical technique with modern styles and tears down all stereotypes of the violin and viola in the process.



Tom Rush

Blues, Folk | Saturday, Oct 22, 2016 | 8:00 PM | \$41-49

With a distinctive guitar style, wry humor, and warm, expressive voice, Tom Rush is both a legend and a lure to audiences around the world. His shows are a musical celebration filled with masterfully told stories, sweet ballads, and gritty blues.



You Belong to Me

Film | Sunday, Oct 23, 2016 | 4:00 PM | \$6

Exploring a case that has haunted jurors and prosecutors for decades, this film unveils hidden practices, exposes the truth of what it meant to be an African-American in the Jim Crow South, and examines the long road to healing.

in the Kay Gallery . . .



in the Terrace Gallery . . .



For a complete listing of the season's offerings, visit

<http://www.blackrockcenter.org/events/category/none/performances>

Seasonal Flu Vaccination Campaign

Montgomery County Health officials announced the dates for the annual flu vaccination campaign and urged residents to get a flu vaccination. Vaccination is the best way to protect against illness during flu season. Seasonal flu will also be circulating in the fall and winter and can cause serious illness. To find more information, and make appointment online, visit montgomerycountymd.gov/flu.

For more News from the Office of the County Executive, visit: <http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/news>

For other news and meeting agendas, visit:

County Council http://www2.montgomerycountymd.gov/mcgportalapps/press_List.aspx?id=01

Planning Board http://www.montgomeryplanning.org/departments/news_releases

Also check out the latest from:

Department of Public Libraries <http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/library>

Department of Recreation <http://www6.montgomerycountymd.gov/rectmpl.asp?url=/content/rec/index.asp>

Department of Transportation <http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/dot/index.html>

Department of Environmental Protection <http://www6.montgomerycountymd.gov/deatmpl.asp?url=/content/dep/dephome/index.asp>

Department of Permitting Services <http://permittingservices.montgomerycountymd.gov/DPS/general/Home.aspx>

Montgomery County Volunteer Center <http://www.montgomeryserves.org>

Office of Community Partnerships <http://archive.constantcontact.com/fs100/1102184431012/archive/1117215431562.html>

Commission for Women <http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/cfw/index.html>